(b) if so, the steps taken in that direction since the time of the President Nelson Mandela's State visit to India?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) India and South Africa are engaged in an active programme of bilateral cooperation covering a wide range of activity. Since President Mandela's visit to India in January, 1995, several high level visits have been exchanged, a Joint Commission has been established six bilateral agreements have been concluded and bilateral trade has increased manifold. The Deputy President of South Africa is scheduled to visit India on December 3-7, 1996. During this visit further measures are expected to be agreed upon to strengthen relations between the two countries.

[Translation]

Repair of N.H. - 23

1355. SHRI LALIT ORAON : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the N.H. - 23 (Chaas-Talchar) in Bihar has been damaged due to recent rainfall;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government for repairing this national highway and for smooth movement of traffic;

(c) whether the Union Government have sanctioned/ released funds for this purpose; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Traffic has since been restored and the road is generally kept in traffic worthy condition. Estimates for permanent restoration works, awaited from the State Government, shall be considered depending upon availability of funds and inter-se priority.

(c) and (d). Maintenance grant amounting to Rs. 18.75 crores, has already been released to the State Government, upto October, 1996 for ordinary repairs/ periodical renewals and ongoing FDR works, for all National Highways in the State.

[English]

Performance of Sportsmen

1356. SHRI SURESH PRABHU : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the performance of our sportsmen in various international events in various disciplines during the last five years;

(b) the number of awards, trophies won by our sportsmen in international sports events during the last five years;

(c) the amount spent on sports activities during the last five years including the expenditure incurred on foreign tours and training; and

(d) whether the amount being spent has been in consonance with the performance of our sports persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DHANUSHKODI ATHITHAN R.) : (a) and (b). The performance of our sportsmen in major international events in various disciplines during the last five years is given in the Annexure.

(c) Total expenditure incurred on sports and games during last five years is as under :

Year	Plan (Rs. in lakhs)	Non-Plan
1991-92	4767.00	1586.00
1992-93	4332.00	1433.00
1993-94	6594.00	1517.00
1994-95	5456.00	1666.00
1995-96	5160.00	1253.00

(d) The amount spent has been inadequate in comparison to the requirements which is reflected in the performance of our sports persons at the international level.

Performance of Indian sportspersons

Events	Medals	Year
1	2	3
Olympic Games		
Tennis	1 Bronze	1996
Asian Games		
Athletics	1 Silver	1994
	2 Bronze	1994
Boxing	4 Bronze	1994
Kayaking and Canoeing	1 Bronze	1994
Hockey (M)	1 Silver	1994
Judo	1 Bronze	1994
Kabaddi	1 Gold	1994
Rowing	1 Bronze	1994
Shooting	1 Gold	1994
	1 Bronze	1994

1	2	3
Tennis	2 Gold	1994
	1 Bronze	1994
Weightlifting	1 Silver	1994
	3 Bronze	1994
Yachting	2 Bronze	1994
Commonwealth Games		
Boxing	1 Bronze	1994
Shooting	3 Gold	1994
	2 Silver	1994
	2 Bronze	1994
Weightlifting	3 Gold	1994
	7 Silver	1994
	1 Bronze	1994
Wrestling	2 Silver	1994

Construction of SSP Dam

1357. SHRI SANAT MEHTA : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) the action taken by the Government to start the work of construction of the Dam of Sardar Sarovar Project in current season as the work had stopped at 80.3 metres in the last working season;

(b) the total expenditure incurred on this project: and

(c) whether it is a fact that Chief Minister of Gujarat has sought the help of Prime Minister in this respect in his meeting with Prime Minister on November 7. 1996 at Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) The seventh meeting of Review Committee for Narmada Control Authority was convened on 13.11.1996 to consider. inter-alia. the construction programme of Sardar Sarovar Dam for the year 1996-97. It was decided therein that the height of Sardar Sarovar Dam be raised upto E1 110 metres in the spillway portion during 1996-97. However. the work would commence in the first week of December. 1996. In the meantime Resettlement and Rehabilitation measures for the balance affected persons of Madhya Pradesh upto E1 81.5 m would be completed within a fortnight by Gujarat., Madhya Pradesh has agreed to extend all help and cooperation in this regard. After review of the implementation of Resettlement and Rehabilitation measures at E1 81.5 m. similar reviews will be undertaken for every 5 metre height of the dam jointly by the concerned Resettlement and Rehabilitation sub-group and Environment sub-ground comprising representatives of States also. so that the construction work could progress *pari passu* with the implementation of Resettlement and Rehabilitation measures in a manner that they are completed in terms of actual shifting of all Project Affected Persons by 31st May 1997.

(b) An expenditure of Rs. 4958.79 crores has been incurred on the project upto September. 1996.

(c) Chief Minister of Gujarat has held discussions with the Hon'ble Prime Minister in this regard.

[Translation]

Funds for Irrigation Department of U.P.

1358. SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have released funds or propose to release funds to the Irrigation Department of Uttar Pradesh for the construction of a dam to save the affected villages of Dadri and Jewar Legislative Assembly constituencies of Khurja Parliamentary Constituency from floods in the river Yamuna:

(b) if so. the details thereof:

(c) if not. the reasons therefor: and

(d) the steps being taken by the Government to tackle the problems caused by the flood waters of river Yamuna in Khurja Parliamentary constituency in Uttar Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No proposals for construction of a dam to save the affected villages of Dadri and Jawar Legislative Assembly constituencies of Khurja Parliamentary Constituency from floods in the river Yamuna have been received in the Ministry of Water Resources.

(d) The problem caused by flood waters in this area was discussed in the Yamuna Committee in its 53rd meeting wherein it was decided that U.P. Government may construct required flood protection works on their side within the norms of the Yamuna Committee to provide protection against erosion.

[English]

Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya Tarkwari (H.P.)

1359. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government's attention has been drawn to the distressing plight of the students of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya Tarkwari (Hamirpur. H.P.) due to non-availability of elementary amenities;

(b) if so. the action taken in the matter;